

**City of San Diego
Community Forest Advisory Board**

MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2012
City Administration Building

- 1) **Convene:** Anne Fege, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.
- 2) **Present:**
Members –Robin Rivet, Jon Becker, Victoria Heithaus, Mary Johnson, Joe Jones, Tershia d’Elgin.
[Not Present] – Fausto Palafox, Jake Banfield-Weir, Stephen Lamprides, Craig Jones,
City Staff – Alex Hempton, Andrea Demich, Jeff Harkness, Marlon Pangilinan, Bernie Turgeon, Lara Gates.
- 3) **Approval of August Minutes:** Approved with edits. [Johnson/Jones]
- 4) **Chair’s Announcements:** Reminder to attend Mayoral debates and ask questions about plans for the urban forest. Keep ears open for folks who might be interested in filling vacant board positions.
- 5) **Working Group Reports:**
 - a. Outreach/Education to continue focus on community organizations for partnership opportunities.
 - b. Funding/Partnerships work group is compiling forestry data from other cities for a report to Council.
 - c. Policies/Programs looked at existing regulations and City goals, still working on reconciling various financial data.
- 6) **Reports:** Items *not* already on agenda
 - a. Board Member Reports - none
 - b. City Staff Reports
 - Development Services, Planning Division. Pangilinan and Turgeon fielded questions about progress on Uptown, North Park, and Golden Hill community plan updates. Hempton explained the no permit street permit process, which recently moved to DSD
- 7) **Discussion Item(s):**
 - a. Update from San Diego Regional Urban Forestry Council.
 - b. Elements of comprehensive urban forest management plan, continued from last meeting. State grant funds are available and the City is still working on pieces for the application, depending on feasibility of receiving and spending the grant.
- 8) **Action Item(s):** Approval of a Landmark and Heritage Tree designation for Cape Chestnut near 4760 Miracle Drive. [postponed for future meeting]
- 9) **Public Comment:** none
- 10) **Adjourned** at 1:15 p.m.